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## SU starts exchange program with China

By Jodie Lehrer  
Staff Writer

The Perdue School of Business recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Dongbei University in China to give Dongbei and Salisbury University students a chance to study in another culture.

"The signing of MOU indicates the establishment of the formal collaboration between Salisbury University and Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (DUFE)," said Dr. Hong Yao of the Economics and finance department.

The MOU was drafted this past summer by the dean of the Perdue school, Dr. William Moore. Moore, along with Dr. Richard Hoffman of the Management and Marketing department, Dr. Jim Quan of Information

and Decision Sciences, Dr. Hong Yao of the Economics and Finance department, and six SU students were among the first Salisbury representatives to attend DUFE this past summer. According to the participants, while on the campus a good deal of people spoke English; going off campus was a different story. To alleviate this problem, Quan served as a cultural interpreter.

DUFE is located on the northeastern coast of China in a city called Dalian, which is a 45 minute plane ride from Beijing. "Dalian is a beautiful modernized international city," said Yao. "Dalian is a 'garden city.'"

SU held a pilot program at DUFE this summer, along with three other university considerations, in order to choose a program that best fit. "We found that its easier to try to maintain relationships with a few [universities],

rather than a lot," said Hoffman.

Lasting just over three weeks; two of the weeks were spent in Dalian while the last was spent touring Beijing.

Salisbury now offers this program to Perdue School Business students; however other students may be eligible if they meet course pre-requisites. The program offers foreign exchange programs of different durations to SU students. One can study at DUFE for about a month, for less than a full semester, or even for a year. According to Yao, the short-term program will cost students around \$2800 and they will be able to earn three academic credits.

According to SU senior David Clark, who attended the pilot program this summer, the people in Dalian for the most part were very friendly and helpful in getting

the students accustomed to the new culture.

"I saw how various types of culture shock took place upon some of the others, but overall we all did really well getting acclimated," said Clark.

Living arrangements at DUFE consist of international dorms on campus. The dorms have basic amenities, such as a daily cleaning service, 24 hour surveillance, air conditioning and complete privacy.

The next scheduled tour will be the summer of 2006. An interest meeting will be held regarding this program on November 29 in room 118 of Holloway Hall.

"For those who are interested in going on a trip like this, just do it," said Clark. "Become a part of something that separates you from the masses and experience things that most will never have the chance to."

## Salisbury changes 4-2 housing law

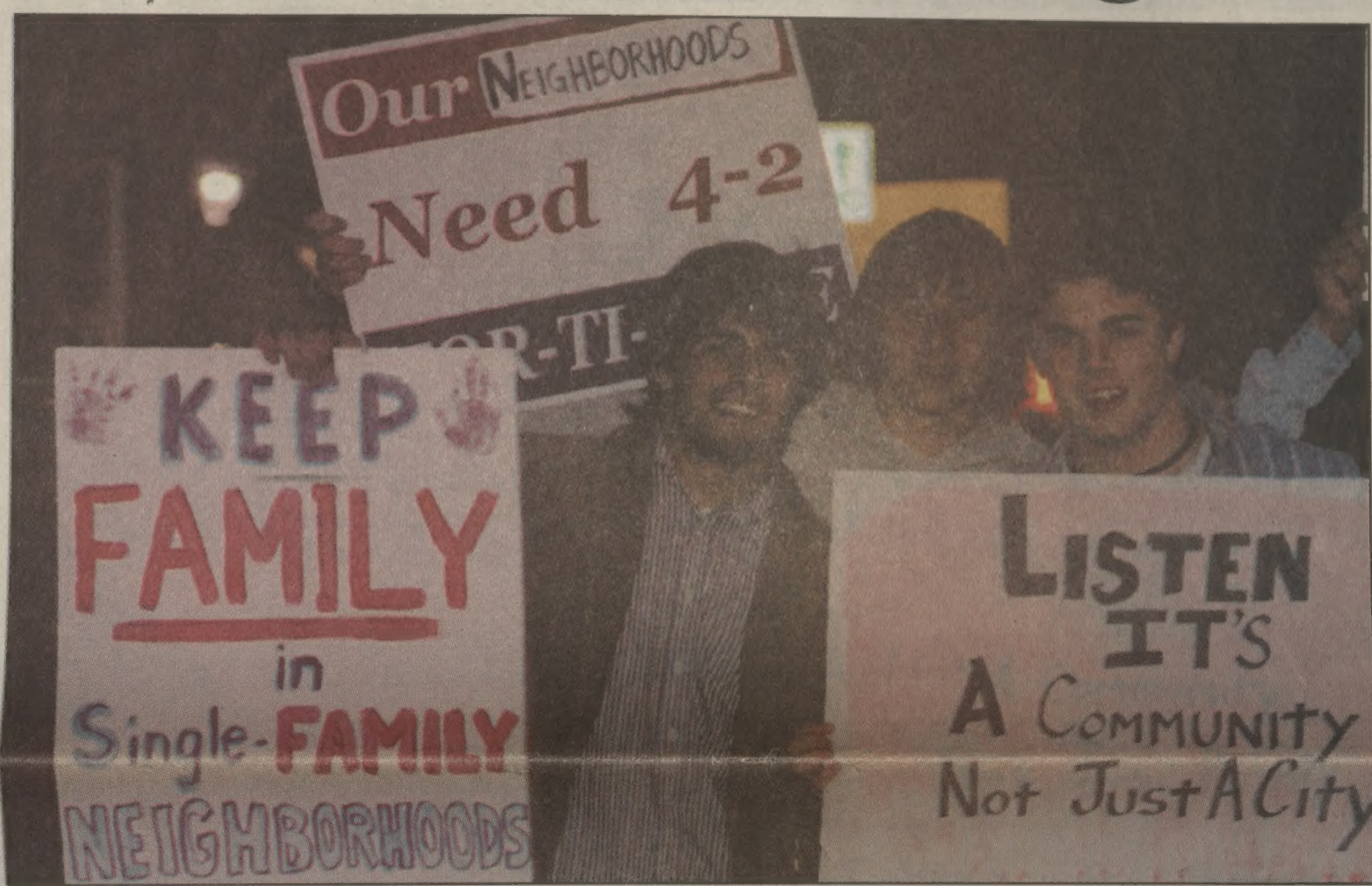
By Sean Gossard  
Staff Writer

On October 6 the Salisbury City Council changed the 4-2 Housing legislation to a 4-3 Housing Law. This change in legislation will impact students planning to move off campus in the upcoming semester. After the City Council agreed to this new law in August the ordinance went to the Planning and Zoning Commission. The law will convert all houses in the area to only allow 3 non-related residents, even the houses which allowed four non-related residents before December 2002.

This new ordinance states that no more than three unrelated people can live in a zoned single family house. The law, which originally permitted four unrelated persons to share a house, was changed in December of 2002 to allow only two non-relatives to live together by a group of concerned residents. The law was designed to keep single families in the houses to keep the property value up. Many area residents with families believed that having too many people living in surrounding houses would lower property values in the region.

Residents with families felt that the high population of college students in the area would make the community unsafe, however many of the houses that are in poor condition in the area are not owned by college students.

Because this new legislation allows for more unrelated persons to share a dwelling, more students will be able to live off campus in the coming years. Allowing more students to share a house will cut down on the cost of the lease per student, and make off-campus housing a more



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Local high school students recently protested outside of the government building in support of the four to two law.

appealing option to the budget-minded student.

For students this new law means more residents to a house. When the law was changed from four to two in December of 2002 there was dissension among the general student population. The houses that this law effects are mainly those closest to the university, such as those on Delaware Avenue, Church

Street, Truit Street, and Camden Avenue.

"I think that 4 - 3 was the best compromise, and you're also going to have the dihardts that are always going to find something to complain about," said city council woman Debbie Campbell. "When you make things personal, it's not going to make it right."

Seven criteria must be met in order to have four unrelated persons or meet a "functional family" to be included as an exception, including:

- Sharing a permanent personal bond and commitment to one another.
- Residents who are not dependent upon or supported by someone who does not maintain legal domicile residence at the unit.
- Maintaining legal domicile at the unit.
- Sharing a single household budget.
- Sharing in the repair and maintenance of the dwelling unit.
- Preparing and eating meals together on a regular basis.
- Sharing in legal ownership or tenancy of the dwelling unit, as stated in the deed or lease.

## New health center available to SU students

By Matt Walenciak  
Staff Writer

Salisbury students now have a place to go when they are ill or injured and the campus health center is closed or can't help.

The Salisbury Immediate Care and Injury Center was opened February 28, by Kent Rilling, the Operational Director of the new health center. Rilling said that the focus of the Center is to "Provide students and the community a place where they can go when they can't see their normal doctor or when their injury isn't serious enough for the E.R." Rilling, a veteran employee of Peninsula Regional Medical Center's emergency room believes that "people waste too much time

waiting for problems that aren't serious enough for an Emergency Room."

Because students don't have a lot of time to spend in lines at doctors' offices, the center is organized to get people in and out and get everything done under one roof.

"Students can come in without an appointment, get evaluated and be diagnosed and treated usually within under an hour," said Rilling. "For convenience the center also has procedure rooms for treating lacerations and bone fractures, radiology equipment for on site X-rays, a laboratory, pharmaceutical services, and even has orthopedic supplies such as crutches and splints on site," Rilling said. "At the end of each

appointment we'll even call the student's parents if they give us the okay to explain the problems, diagnosis and treatments."

Salisbury Immediate Care and Injury Center is an alternative to Salisbury University's Student Health Services office, which is not open on weekends or holidays, and has limited hours. The Immediate Care Center is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 am until 7:00 pm, and Sunday from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. Rilling also hopes to be able to expand the hours in the future. "The Center is open on all holidays except for Christmas and Thanksgiving, but most students are gone during that time anyways," added Rilling.

Although the Immediate Care Center is located close to campus on Route 13, it can be a long trip for students without transportation. There are two options for students who are unable to find transportation to the center. "If students are unable to drive because of an injury...campus police officers are willing to give rides to students," said Lieutenant Mike Nicolas of the University Police Department. "But they [officers] won't give rides for appointments."

Another option is public transportation. "Salisbury Shore Transit



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Salisbury's Immediate Care and Injury Center, located across the street from Wawa on route 13, is in it's final stages of completion.

### Story Brief

#### Volleyball victory sends them to semi-finals

The women's volleyball team defeated the Spartan's of York in straight sets on Tuesday night which advances them to the CAC semi-finals. The victory gave the Gulls their third straight win and fifth of their last six matches. They will go on to the finals for their fourth straight year to take on Marymount University.

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## Crime beat

10/27/05  
08:30 AM-09:00 PM  
Theft-An employee reported money and a credit card were stolen from a vehicle parked in the Library parking lot.

10/30/05  
01:20 AM-01:54 AM  
Malicious Destruction of Property-A University Police Officer discovered the sign for Holloway Hall had been damaged.

10/29/05-10/31/05  
12:01 AM-07:30 AM  
Damaged Property-An employee reported a fence support post at the baseball field near the parking lot was bent. It is possible that a vehicle cause the damage.

10/31/05  
09:30 AM-10:30 AM  
Theft-A student reported that a locked bicycle was stolen from a bike rack near the University Center. On 11/1/05 the bike was recovered near Red Square, after being abandoned by an unknown subject.

10/31/05  
01:15 PM-04:00 PM Malicious Destruction of Property - A student reported the paint was scratched on a vehicle that was parked in the Chesapeake parking lot.

10/31/05  
06:40 PM-6:50 PM  
Theft-student reported a purse and contents was stolen from the second floor hallway in Mages Gym. It was left unattended for a brief time.

10/24/05-03/1/05  
12:00 PM-9:15 AM  
Theft-A student reported an E-Z pass and CDs were stolen from a vehicle parked in the St. Martins parking lot.

10/31/05  
10:41 PM  
Malicious Destruction of Property-Eggs were thrown at a university police vehicle in the Camden Ave. area.

## Meditation Room fosters spirituality

By Meredith Maguire  
Staff Writer

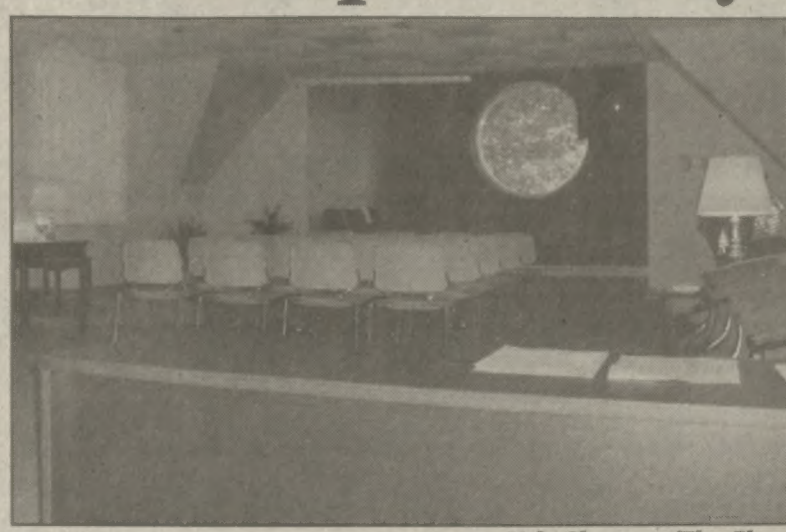
A new Meditation Room located in the Guerrieri University Center opened this fall, providing students faculty and staff with a space for their spiritual practices. "The spirituality center is a quiet space on campus for prayer and reflection that can be enjoyed by all," said Director of New Student Experiences Lawanda Dockins-Gordy.

The center is located in the upper level of the Guerrieri Center and is open to everyone. A "spirituality committee" was developed at the beginning of last year and was charged with the development and implementation of the center. "The center is dedicated to nurturing personal and spiritual growth," said Dockins-Gordy. "The room can be used for meditation, reflection, prayer, and services." According to Dockins-Gordy, the only request is that everyone behaves in a manner respectful of all religious and spiritual beliefs.

Dockins-Gordy said the committee will continue to meet regularly to discuss how the space is being used and whether it could be used more sufficiently. "The organization of the space is still in infant stages and we're certainly welcoming input from members of the University," she said.

Support for the Meditation Room goes beyond that of the administration. "I feel that having such a center will make some students feel more comfortable and welcomed on our campus," said SU student and Campus Crusade for Christ member Christine Brown. "I think a spirituality center is a wonderful addition and will really help to enrich our campus."

The room is open to meetings of groups or for individual use. The Meditation Room is open seven days a week until midnight. "The University Center was a great choice for the Meditation Room because it provides a greater window of opportunity for use and availability," said Dockins-Gordy. According to



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Brown, access and availability are very important when it comes to having an effective space for spirituality.

The addition of the Meditation Room moves Salisbury University into the ranks of the University of Maryland, College Park, Towson, and other schools in the Maryland System that already have spirituality centers. "I think that the center has the

capabilities to overcome the historic tensions among religions because it isn't about a particular religion or particular religious group," said Dockins-Gordy. "It certainly parallels the University's mission statement."

"I think it's important to have somewhere that students of all religious and spiritual denominations can go. It's great," said Brown.

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## News briefs

Students worried about possible federal cuts to student aid could leave empty desks because students will no longer be able to foot the bill for higher education.

As Congress considers budget reconciliation next week, with proposed cuts of up to \$14 billion for higher education aid programs, the University of Maryland Student Government Association (SGA) and University of Maryland students are planning a bake sale to raise the \$14 billion. On Monday, November 7th, students will be selling fourteen large cookies for \$1 billion each to raise the money that could be cut next week. They say that some of their representatives in the state of Maryland are considering voting in favor of Budget Reconciliation, even though it could hurt thousands of students that they represent.

Budget Reconciliation could cut \$14 billion in student aid programs, leaving many students with greater debt at the end of college. The United States Students Association announces on its website that the average student may have \$5,800 more in debt when they graduate, if these cuts pass.

The Student Government Association has already expressed concern, sending letters to representatives on behalf of the student body, but they are worried that may not be enough. "It sounds ridiculous to host a bake sale to raise \$14 billion but it also sounds ridiculous to cut \$14 billion from student aid for higher education," said Emma Simon, Vice President of Academic Affairs for the SGA.

The event will take place on Monday, November 7th from 12pm-1pm. The Student Government Association will be standing amongst empty desks selling baked goods for \$1 billion each, outside of the Student Union on campus. Students can "buy" the baked goods by signing letters to their representatives.

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## Sigma Pi makes Rose Street bloom



The men of Sigma Pi spent their Saturday morning helping the community by planting trees on Rose Street. This was a followup to the Big Event Held last year.

By Sean Gossard  
Staff Writer

On Saturday the fraternity Sigma Pi took part in the "Rose Street Blossom" service project to help clean up and make the area more beautiful. Salisbury Neighborhood and Housing Service joined forces with the fraternity to assist with the details of the project including funding and landscaping.

Sigma Pi is a relatively new fraternity on campus, having officially received campus recognition in the spring of 2004, and prides themselves on their community service.

This weekend the fraternity went to Rose Street to plant several dozens of shrubs and trees so that the area would appear more beautiful for its residents and the community.

Approximately 25 volunteers turned out for the project, which took about two hours to complete. During this time nearly 85 trees and shrubs were planted and 110 pounds of mulch was spread.

"We had a blast, and put a lot of smiles on the faces of the residents," said Sigma Pi member Tim Couzens after the project. "The whole experi-

ence was greatly rewarding and it feels good to give back to this community."

Couzens, who is the Community Outreach Chair of the fraternity worked with Eileen Gilheany, a member of the Salisbury Neighborhood and Housing Service, who coordinated the project.

Along with Gilheany, the fraternity members also worked with Professor Corrie Cotton of UMES to help design the landscape.

The project was funded by a \$5,000 donation from the Daily

Times Gannett Foundation and another \$6,500 donation from the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

The community was excited to hear that Rose Street is becoming a more family oriented neighborhood through this and other service projects, including the building of houses along the street. Currently there are three houses on the street that were built through the efforts of Parkside High School and a fourth is under construction.

Sigma Pi has been a part of various service projects around the commu-

nity for the past few years including Relay for Life, the Multiple Sclerosis Walk, Campus/Community Cleanup, work with the Humane Society, and every week they get groups together to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity.

"We consider ourselves a very active fraternity when it comes to the campus and our community," said Sam Jones of Sigma Pi. "We are always trying to give back and help in every way possible."

For more information, students may visit the Salisbury Immediate Care website at [www.sbyimmediatecare.com](http://www.sbyimmediatecare.com) or call the offices at 410-543-2020. The Immediate Care Center is located near campus at 659 South Salisbury Boulevard, Suite Two, in the new Salisbury Health Pavilion, across from Wawa on Route 13.

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buses also now have a stop directly in front of the Immediate Care Center," said Rilling.

"Because students come from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, we accept a lot of different types of insurance," said Rilling. "We also provide special discounts for those without insurance and are working on a new Health Membership Plan for anyone with or without insurance. Once passed by the state, this plan will allow people to pay one low monthly fee."

Another benefit of the center is that you can usually see the same doctor each time you come. "Some female students only want to see a female doctor, and the same with male students, so we try to find a way to accommodate all needs," said Rilling. The Center also provides more non-urgent services such as annual and sports physicals, drug screenings and flu and meningitis vaccines. "There are only a limited amount of flu vaccines given out each year, but we are one of only two places in town that offer the meningitis vaccine," said Rilling.

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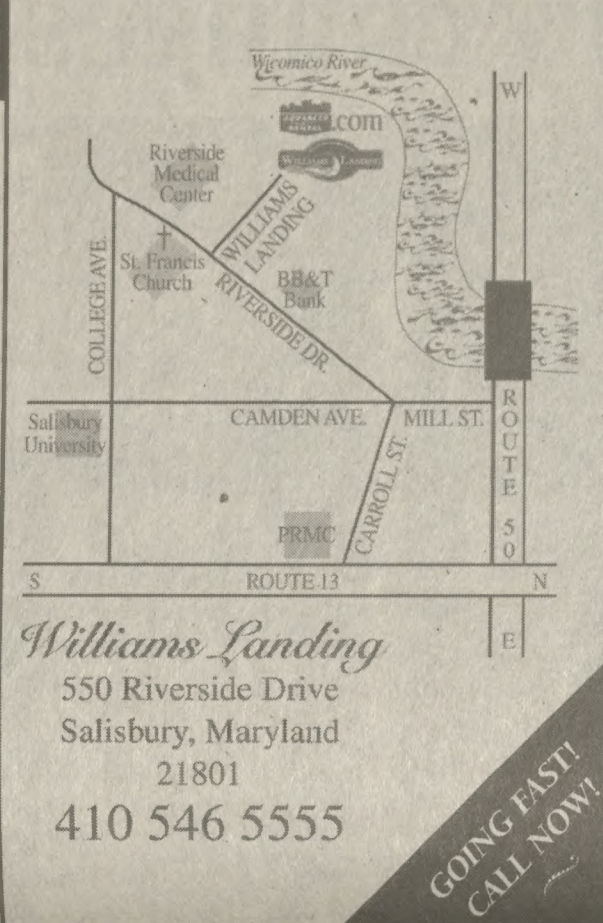


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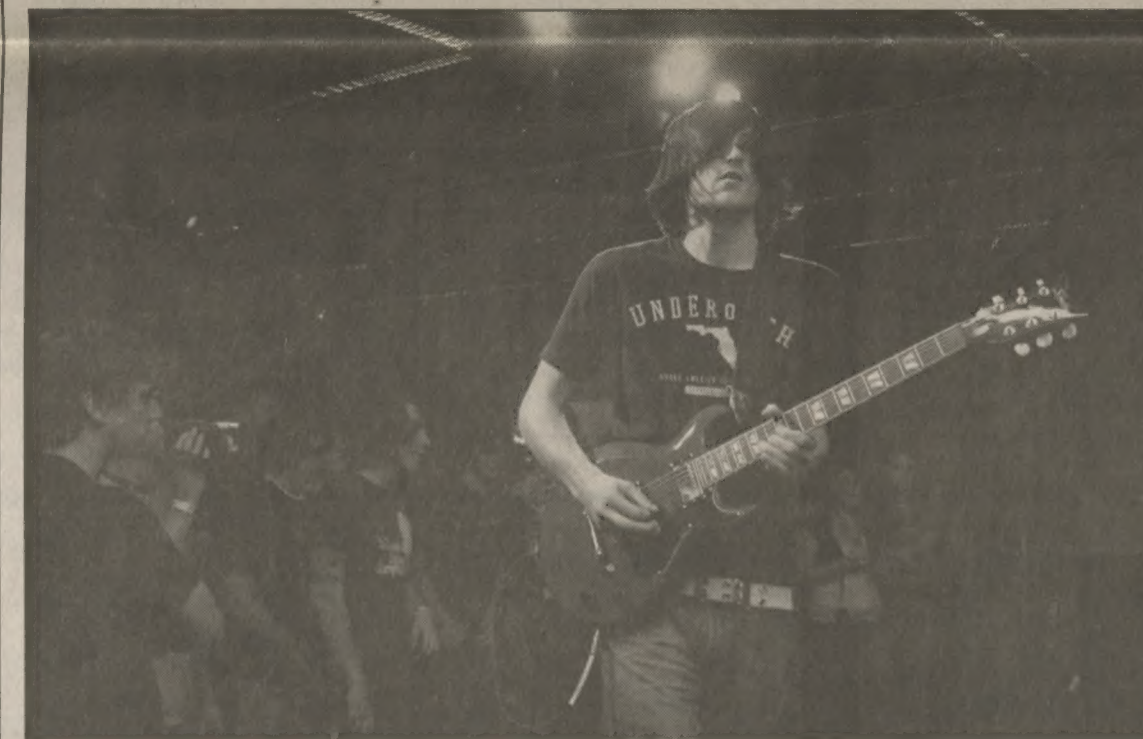
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## ScrEMOween

WXSU closes out October with a scream



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Top Left: Jason Jump, 28, joined Letter 5 last January. Top Right: Garrett Davis and Troy Cash are the front men for Letter Five. Davis organized the event on Halloween. Bottom Left: A plays rhythm guitar for The Receiving End of Sirens who came all the way from Boston headline the show. Bottom Right: Bryan Barnes and Mike Barnes, brothers, lead the Baltimore-based band Thin Dark Line.

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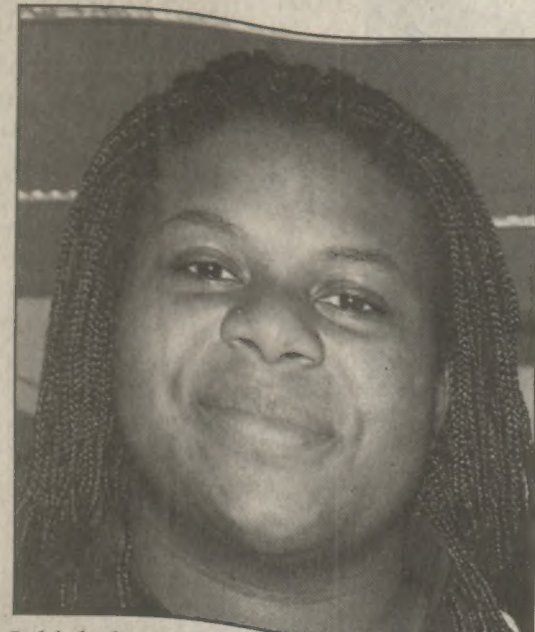


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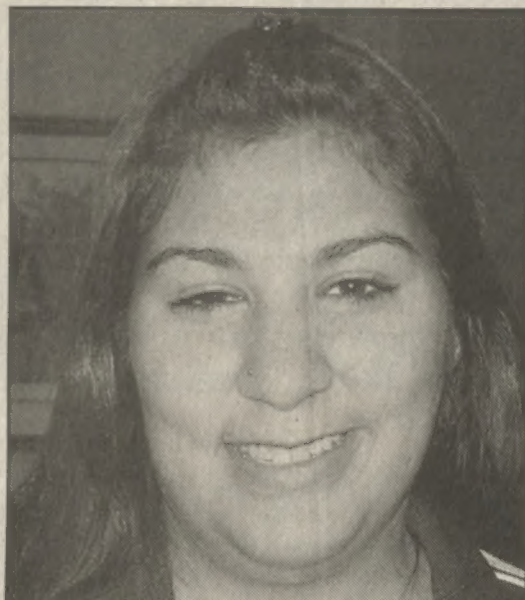
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## Overheard How do you think the 4 to 3 rule will affect SU students?



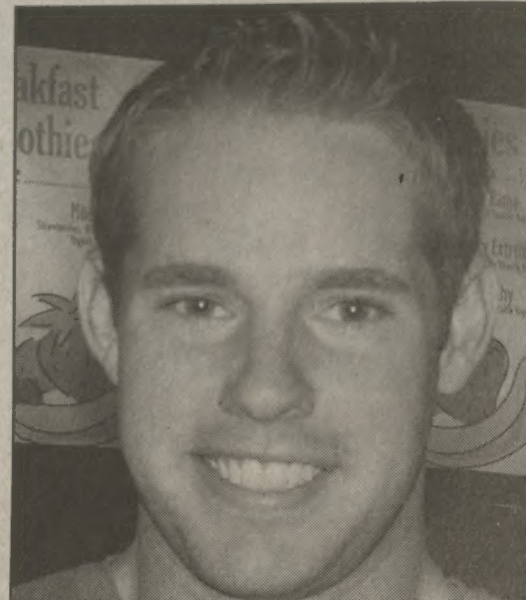
I think the 4-3 law affects students in a negative way. Why should a person be able to tell a student whether they can live together or not?  
-Jonite Robinson, Freshman



It will cause students to have to work more just to make rent. This will take time away from school and other activities they may be involved in.  
-Selwa Fayyad, Sophomore



It's really unfair because it really limits places where students can live.  
-Sarah Creighton, Junior



This is so unreasonable. I would love to see who is enforcing it. Places are hard enough to find, this just makes it that much more difficult.  
-Zac Ruark, Junior

## The Zoo really is for animals

By Laura D'Alessandro

Editor-in-Chief

The Zoo is a neighborhood off of Eastern Shore Drive, this cluster of townhouses is always littered with beer cans and bottles, always has cops driving through it frequently (but not frequently enough apparently), and is always home to the most out of control parties. Maybe this is why they came up with that name, The Zoo.

I was in The Zoo Saturday night for about two and a half hours. During my time there, I witnessed two fights, saw a dumpster mysteriously catch on fire and had not one run in with the police, but three; keep in mind I wasn't even there very long. It just made me curious as to how an area can get so out of control. The group of friends I was with kept asking me what was going on, but the only answer anyone could come up with was, "It's The Zoo."

Although the fights were both broken up before anyone called the cops about them, they showed up anyway. They shined a bright light in my eyes and told everyone to leave, but of course since animals don't listen unless you give them a treat, no one obeyed the officers. They came by again when a loud group of males were throwing logs and 2 by 4's in front of cars. I'm not sure what possessed them to do that, animal instinct I suppose.

The next thing I knew, flames were shooting out of a dumpster. We all saw it go out when one crazy male took a flying leap into the dumpster. After that all that could be seen was smoke. A waiting fire engine showed up 20 minutes later and pumped so much water into the dumpster it began to overflow. We assumed the male had gotten out before that happened. We didn't see his body floating anywhere.

At this point there seemed to be harmony between authorities and barbarians. No citations were given to the clearly drunk and open-container-baring kids as they crowded around the commotion of flashing lights and sirens.

On a sidenote, The Zoo residents have also recently been victims of a few burglaries and University Police sent out e-mail bulletins to warn students about the "suspect." The most recent bulletin I read said that the "suspect" didn't take anything of value and ran away as soon as he was spotted by the resident. At least we know it's not one of the lions that has gotten out of his cage.

In the way out of The Zoo, I heard someone question, "What's in the water?" I guess they thought the city pipes to The Zoo contained some kind of contaminated water, making 2 of its residents go crazy with jungle madness. I've come to the conclusion that it's because what they're drinking isn't water at all.

## To the Editor Field Day's Armageddon

Think back to last May. What comes to mind? Finals...perhaps. Graduation...it's a possibility. Field Day? Oh yes, most definitely. Who could forget what an absolute blast we as members of the great Salisbury University had during that absolutely gorgeous day when the sun just seemed to contain no limits to the brilliance of its radiant shine. The day was almost perfect...almost perfect.

While Field Day was indeed memorable, what was also equally memorable was the outcry that this day of celebration evoked from the local community. The front page of the Daily Times read "Salisbury irate over weekend parties", and "City seeks to end SU Field Day, wants to be reimbursed for police, EMS, cleanup costs". Now, granted there were a few minor incidents that resulted due to the use of alcohol, and a few people grossly misbehaved and profaned an otherwise beautiful day of joy. However, does this warrant the declaration of war upon SU Field Day?

Do not be mistaken...THEY are going to attempt to shut down Field Day for next year! WE are not going to let them! They are going to wait until the last minute to make the decision, and are going to, in all likelihood, try to do it behind our backs and while we are too busy with our schoolwork to resist their actions. Are you going to let that happen?

They claim that Field Day is nothing but a nuisance and a liability to the Salisbury community...WE say that Field Day is nothing less than an affirmation of what the students at Salisbury University are all about. Denying Field Day is nothing less than denying the intrinsic meaning and character of S.U.

While the politicians within the community believe it beneficial to their political career to bash what Salisbury University and the students of S.U. are all about, those of us who actually attend S.U. know that nothing else could be further from the truth. Every spring semester after a long, grueling, arduous, challenging, and enlightening semester of education, we at S.U. feel that we are more than justified when we decide to blow off a little steam and go out and party (perhaps even drink a little bit) for one day out of the year.

Field Day is not only a day that everybody decides to get intoxicated, but rather Field Day is the one day out of the spring semester when the student body at S.U. actually comes together, despite all of the differences that we may have, and decide to embrace our similarities. Field Day is not only a day of celebration...it is a day of NECESSITY.

Often times those on the outside find it all too easy to criticize what they do not understand. From here on out we at S.U. must recognize it is our duty as students attending S.U. to defend the right for us at S.U. to gather en masse during one freaking day of the year to affirm what we at S.U. are all about. We are not gathering in order to cause destruction. If a few knuckleheads are unable to control their actions and wind up entering into a primitive display of their manliness, please do not interpret that as being the spirit of the majority of the student body. Those students deserve to be dealt with appropriately and accordingly by the proper authorities. We as a collective are more than mature enough to recognize that that type of behavior is both immature and uncalled for. However, when us 2000+ students get together to celebrate our common experience, a few ignorant, immature, imbecile idiots are bound to act a fool, and draw attention to themselves. These fools do not represent the collective that is Salisbury University.

Believe me; THEY are going to do their damndest to stop us from having Field Day at S.U. next year.

Believe me; WE are going to fight tooth and nail to demand that Field Day not only be allowed to take place at the intramural fields, but that the community accept Field Day as a meaningful yearly event that is put together on behalf of the students in order to celebrate the end of the semester.

However, let me caution the reader to not misconstrue the statement that I have heretofore made. I do not wish to leave with the reader the impression that when we are allowed to celebrate Field Day that this granting of permission affords us the free reign to act like idiots and imbeciles. If anything we must prove to the administration and the community at large that we are not deserving of the negative label that they have attached upon us. We must do our part to demonstrate our responsible natures. With that being said...

THEY are going to attempt to put a stop to Field Day. THEY are only going to be successful if we stand by idly and let them impose their will on us!

I am confident that WE are not going to let that happen.

-Tom Adkins  
Philosophy & Sociology Major

## OC resident calls out Professor Michaels

Dear Editor,

Global warming, one of the most important problems facing Salisbury University students and future generations, was discussed by Professor Patrick Michaels, a recent speaker at the University. Professor Michaels, sponsored by the SU Office of Cultural Affairs, was presented on the university website as a "Global Warming Expert", "climatology", and a "scientist".

Mr. Michaels' presentation was a surprisingly transparent attempt to discredit the main body of scientific research on global warming and to minimize the perception of global warming as a problem. Many of his statements such as we would do better "to invest our money" in something other than efforts to curb global warming, and all we need to be concerned about

"is where we want to set the temperature" revealed his main objective - to convince the audience that global warming is not a real problem. Mr. Michaels' presentation clearly placed him in direct opposition to the vast majority of the most respected climatologists and scientists from around the world.

Mr. Michaels' record shows that he has tried to discredit the efforts of nations around the world to work together on the problem of global warming. His attack on the Kyoto Protocol, the first attempt to unite all nations on the planet in order to start working on the problem, is an example. Michaels has stated, "Kyoto won't do anything about global warming."

Unbelievably, he has also come out against environmentally friendly "alternative energy" sources calling them, "ineffective, politically correct technologies like solar energy and windmills."

Mr. Michaels has even attacked Senator McCain's efforts to protect the environment by calling his bill, "onerous climate change legislation." To that attack he added the highly political and "unscientific" comment, "McCain thinks he can ride global warming all the way to the 2008 presidential nomination."

All this makes one ask, why is Mr. Michaels part of a very small fringe group preaching the doctrine that global warming is not a real problem? An even more important question is, why would a self-proclaimed "scientist" enter the political arena by making highly biased political statements? Any first year

physics student knows that science is all about objectivity, a characteristic starkly missing in partisan politics.

Answers to these questions can be found by looking at Mr. Michaels' resume, which reveals his two "employers." One of his "employers" is the Cato Institute, a highly political, very partisan, think tank and group of lobbyists. The "Cato Handbook on Policy" contains this startling statement, "Congress should vote down any legislation restricting emissions of carbon dioxide, the principal human 'greenhouse' emission related to global warming." Many of Cato's sponsors are "big oil" corporations and major auto manufacturers that have a financial stake in opposing policies that seek to combat global warming by limiting carbon emissions.

Mr. Michaels' other "employer," the Marshall Institute, is also a highly political, and very partisan group of lobbyists. The Marshall Institute's website documents an obsession with two main objectives, to "build a missile defense before it's too late" and highly biased political attacks aimed at discrediting the scientific research and the body of knowledge related to global warming.

In short, both of Mr. Michaels' "employers" have nothing to do with scientific research but everything to do with partisan politics. Mr. Michaels has also chosen to align himself with and write for such highly political and partisan tabloids as "The American Spectator." The political rantings in the tabloid make it immediately apparent that it is not a scientific journal and certainly a publication to be avoided by any remotely objective scientist.

People planning to attend a presentation by Mr. Michaels should be warned to purchase a "bogus science detector" since it is otherwise impossible to determine when his political objectives end and his scientific objectivity starts.

One wonders if the Office of Cultural Affairs would have been more accurate if they had advertised Mr. Michaels as a politically biased "mouthpiece" for big energy corporations. Thank you, George Benton Ocean City, Md.

## Local bands find refuge off Rt. 13



(Top) Jason Jump of Letter 5 played one of his first shows with the band at Knights of Columbus last February. Ever Since Radio made the bill also before undergoing many member changes over the summer.

By Laura D'Alessandro

Editor-in-Chief

When passing by the Knights of Columbus event hall on a Friday or Saturday night for the past five years, someone might have wondered what all the noise was about. But it wasn't just noise, it was locally grown music. The thump of a bass, the clamor of guitars and the screams of singers could be heard from the hall's parking lot on Emerson Avenue.

Charles Lane, Grand Knight of the Salisbury Knights of Columbus, says he doesn't quite understand why

young people today like to listen to what he just calls noise. He says he doesn't mind it but it's not something he really enjoys.

"Other people my age, they don't like the loud noise," he says.

Pushing mid 70's, Lane says he's a fan of country music, but will listen to just about everything.

"I was a young fellow in 1949, some of the music in those days was different of what parents don't approve of today," he says.

Garrett Davis, SU sophomore and bassist for local



Knights of Columbus is located off of Emerson Ave. The signs are almost antique looking. CCISP is on Business 13 across from Cheers. The actual venue is usually outside in the parking lot.

band Letter 5, says he thinks there's difference in the music of then and today.

"I think that back then people were only really subjected to the pop mainstream, whether it be jazz or that style, whereas today with all the technology we have available today more people are able to hear a lot more music at a younger age and our personalities can pick what kind of style we like," he says.

But Jerry Tabor, Associate Professor of Music at Salisbury University agrees with Lane. Tabor, who also directs the SU Jazz Brass Band, was in his college years in

the 1980's and says music in back then was "corny." "It was corny then and now it's been somewhat simplified and it seems to have a harder edge to it," he says. "It's a little I'd say harmonically and melodically less conventional. But it's more interesting now that's for sure."

Although Lane says he doesn't so much enjoy the type of music played by local bands, it isn't something he really gripes about.

"That's not really my main problem. The thing that upsets me most, and I haven't quite understood yet, is

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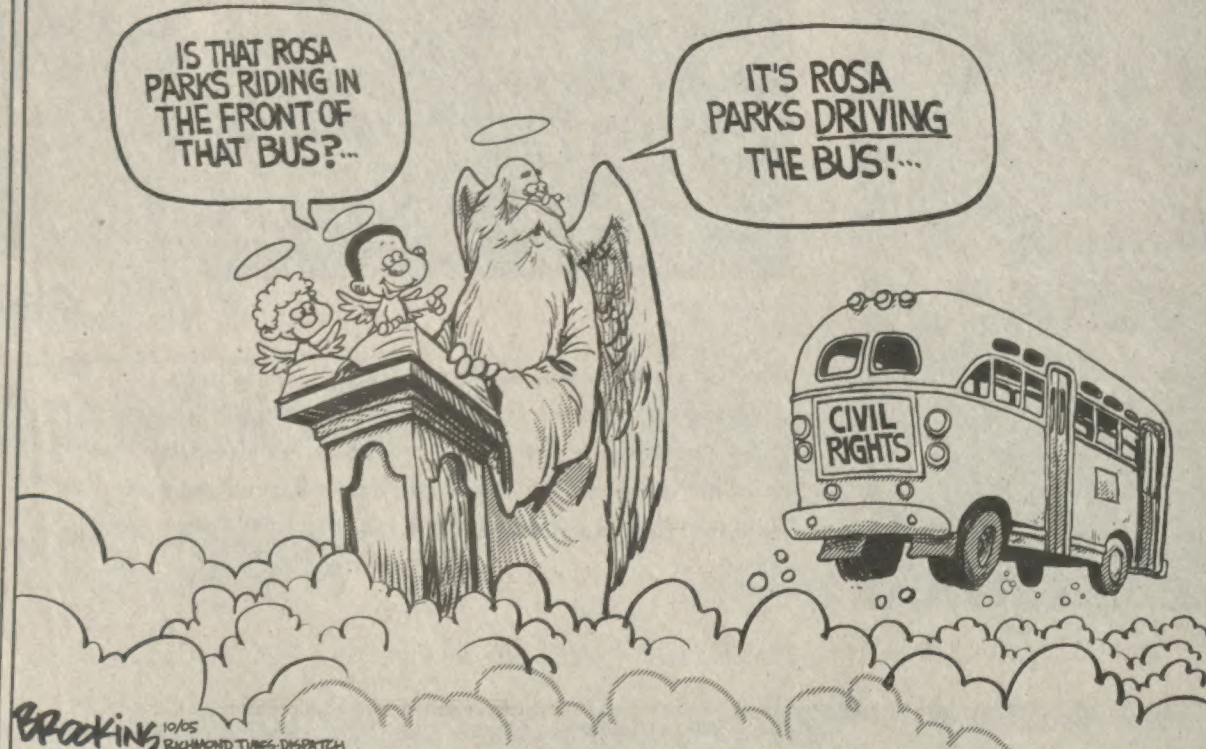
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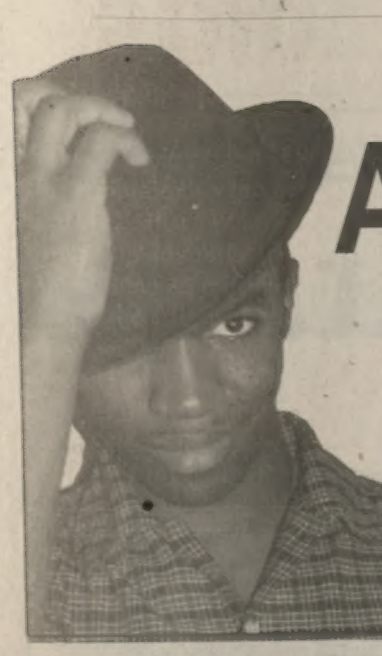
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I have this problem, you see, my roommate is always talking to his girlfriend on the phone. It's not just normal talk though; it's like it's twisted or something. She'll have to go to some ceremony or a get-together for something and he'll be like, "Oh, were you looking at the guys there? Huh? Huh? Yeah how would you like for me to hang up on you." Instead of like, "How was the get-together?" I can't stay in the room when he does that. From the way it sounds, she seems really nice. Should I say something to him?

Wow, okay that is self-explanatory. He is taking the wrong approach to whatever his problem is because it certainly does sound like he has one if he's talking to her like that. Now I'm not sure when he does this, but if you are in the room, I don't suspect you can or should be doing anything about their relationship, but he's brought all of that with him and if it happens all the time, you need to let him know. I understand he needs his privacy, but when it's constantly happening and you are upset with it, say something, but don't confront him angrily. The last thing you need is to get into an argument with him. Make it a conversation and if he does get mad, keep calm because you'll show him that you are only trying to help him understand what it is like in your shoes.

Lately, I've been hearing about problems that have been going on around the Salisbury area, crime and whatnot. I'm a little scared to go out at night because of the few stories I've heard. What do I do?

Well, the good thing about all of this is that you are aware. You need to become aware of your surroundings. Speaking of safety, there was an email sent out recently about safety and situations including crime sent by the University Police. You may want to check that out. If you do go out, don't travel alone at night, especially off campus. That's important because you'll have less of a chance to be targeted. Don't allow the stories to stop you from having fun at night; however they are warning signs, so use them to keep you and your friends aware about situations. If you go out to parties, make sure you have a safe way of getting back. Also, keep an eye on friends that you go out with when the place that you visit is unknown. If you get into one of those situations where it's street robbery, like the University Police email says, "Your money can be replaced, your life can't."

I went out with this one girl for almost 2 years. Sadly, we just broke up. When I get to parties, I tend to "loosen" up too much, and end up making out with girls and I do funny things (i.e.: expose my umm... self to my party guest) when I'm drunk. Long story short, she found out and she broke up with me. Will we get back together soon?

Well, I don't know how much she'll be in a hurry to get back with you, depending on her definition of cheating. Many girls, actually many people, consider making out with other people...you guessed it, cheating. If you really want her back, you're going to have to make some changes. When you say "loosen" up, you tend to expose yourself a little much. And just a heads up, if someone isn't feeling right with that, you could be arrested for indecent exposure. I assume when she found out this information, she wasn't happy at all. Put yourself in her shoes, would you like her kissing up on other guys and exposing herself to them? Would you honestly say you'd be fine with that? I really have no clue if you two will get back together, but if you want to make that effort to get with her, you're going to have to control this "loosen" business. In other words, no cheating... that's what she broke up with you for. If you need to control yourself by not going to parties, do so. If you need to control yourself by not drinking so much, do so. If you need to get your party out of your system, then do that, but obviously don't do that behind her back. If you are to get with her, you'll have to make a commitment. Obviously since this isn't marriage, you may not feel like the same commitment, but understand that you are making a commitment to some extent and that you'll have to respect her.

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## Student Spotlight

# Student starts a cappella singing group

By Stephanie Sokerka  
Staff Writer

Junior Adam Miller has always had a keen interest for singing. This Business major's latest endeavor to pursue singing is to start an a cappella group on campus, in which they sing without the accompaniment of instruments. Salisbury University has never had a group like this and Miller is determined to create the first.

What made you want to start an a cappella group at Salisbury? Mainly because most decent universities have them and Salisbury could definitely use some more culture. I want to give people that like to sing a different way to express themselves opposite to the traditional choir setting. So I approached my friend Brian Kuhn and we decided to start it ourselves.

When did you realize that you were passionate about music? I started to really like singing when I went to church as a young kid. After that I joined the church choir and started singing with them. Once I got into high school, I really started singing. I was in the choir, and the

school plays. Then after I got out of the military, I joined a barbershop quartet.

Tell me about your experience with the barbershop quartet? A bunch of my friends had formed it, and I joined right after I got out of the military. We just went around town, and did a lot of gigs, to pick up some extra cash. We sang just traditional "barbershop music."

Why do you prefer a cappella as opposed to singing with instruments? I like singing with instruments. It's just that singing a cappella is a whole different sound than what people are used to hearing. Every sound that you hear is made naturally with your mouth. It just sounds cool.

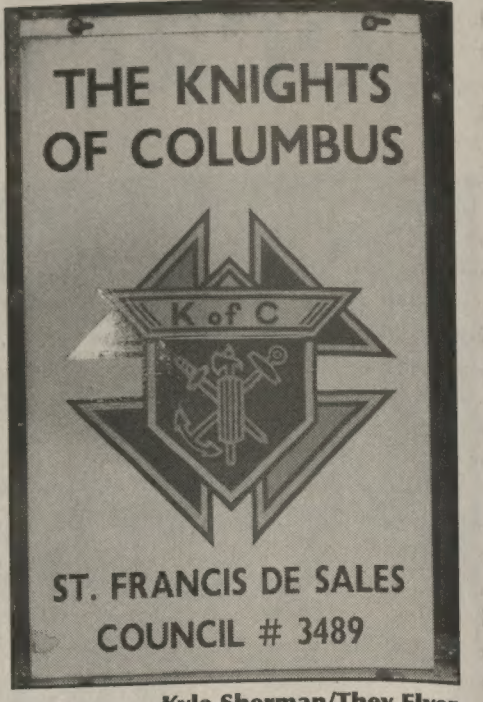
What kind of singers are you looking for and what will you be singing? No one in particular, everyone is welcome. I'm looking for not just vocal majors or choir members, but for anyone who's ever been interested in singing, that might not want to conform to a traditionally professor-run choir. We're going to be

singing everything from R&B to rock. We're going to be doing all the contemporary modern stuff on the radio - nothing traditional.

How can students join the group? The first meeting we're going to have will be an interest meeting. It's just to come check us out and then we'll let people know when tryouts are. The interest meeting is on November 15th at 8:30 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge. And as of right now, this is a student-run program. We're not affiliated with the school at this point.

Will you be performing on campus? Yes. We're going to try to get one or two songs ready in time for the Variety show in April. Hopefully after the show, people will have seen us perform, and more people will want to get involved.

What are your goals for the group?



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Adam Miller makes a difference on campus by creating an a cappella group for other aspiring singers

I want the group to continue to grow and develop, even after I graduate. I just want the group to be something new and different for students to get involved in. I want it to be fun.

# College is a whole new world of education

By Contessa Cristosomolo  
Life & Style Editor

Maureen Boice sits patiently for the interview to begin with her hands placed pleasantly on her lap. She wears clothes trendier than the typical Salisbury University-brand sweats worn by most students. It is safe for one to assume, she's not from around here.

Dressed in a black t-shirt and camouflage pants, Scott Dunsmore pauses his game of original Zelda on Nintendo and clears the cluster of video games and DVDs sprawled on the couch. The Zelda theme song continues to play in the background as he politely offers a drink. It is apparent he has already adjusted to his new home.

What Maureen and Scott have in common is that this is their first time living at college and away from home. Transitioning to college can be both scary and exciting at the same time. Many new students are fresh out of high school, out from underneath their parents' roofs and thrown into a life where they suddenly have to do things for themselves.

Boice is a freshman who came to Salisbury University right after high school. She says that the biggest change coming into college is self-motivation. "I actually have to get myself up and get myself going places," she says. "At home I would have either my parents or friends to help me get ready."

She isn't the only one who had to get used to waking herself up. Dunsmore,

who transferred to SU from Howard Community College this fall for his sophomore year, echoed Boice's feeling.

"My mom doesn't wake me up for class anymore," he says. But he'll get used to it because, "she won't wake me up for work in the real world."

No one in particular, everyone is welcome. I'm looking for not just vocal majors or choir members, but for anyone who's ever been interested in singing, that might not want to conform to a traditionally professor-run choir. We're going to be

"I have to do laundry now, that sucks," he says, laughing lightly. "It's different because I don't have the influence of parents and everyone I know."

He says he felt independent for the most part while he attended HCC and lived in the basement of his house. When he got to SU, however, he was forced to live with people he'd never met before. He lives in Chesapeake Hall with seven other male students, however, didn't find this to be a problem. He found it easy to fit in with his roommates. "They're really friendly," he says. "They're good guys."

As for sharing a room with someone, he is still trying to adjust. "It's all right," he says as he shrugs his shoulders. "I wish I could have a place of my own and watch TV when I want."

Living in the dorms is something that many students take time to adjust to, but Boice says it wasn't that big of a deal.

"I went to soccer camp at [University of Maryland at] College Park, so I'm used to having roommates," she says. "I get along with the people in my cluster. I was fortunate with that."

Boice lives in a different kind of dorm than Dunsmore. She lives on a floor specifically for a learning community. The learning communities house exceptional students in the honors program, leadership program, wellness, substance-free, and specific floors for education-major or undeclared majors. These separate communities provide activities for the students based on the program.

She quickly found out, though, that having so many people around is not always a good thing. "I have to study, like, all the time for the exams here... at a certain point in the night, the dorm gets wild and noisy. There's people running around everywhere in my dorm!" she says, laughing. "It's fun... we all get together and watch movies and were always in each other's rooms. But to try to study and do that is really hard."

Dunsmore expressed having the

same problem that living in the

"At home, all my friends had gone off to college, so I figure why not do my homework. Now I have to make better decisions."

dorms is difficult when it comes to studying and doing homework because people are always around.

Boice found college classes to be a lot more challenging than they were in high school. "I studied a lot in high school," she says, "but here I notice it doesn't matter if you study for ten hours, because you still have to study ten more to actually pull off a decent grade in the class."

All of the schoolwork sometimes makes it difficult for Boice to enjoy other things at SU, such as joining student organizations.

"I basically have one [club meeting] every day, but I do have a lot of studying," she emphasizes. "Like, this week, I haven't been able to go anywhere because I have this history makeup exam. It's impossible to get out of my dorm because I know I won't come back to study."

Dunsmore hasn't joined any clubs, but hopes to join club lacrosse next spring. "There's just so much to do here, like club sports," he says. "I'm looking forward to club lacrosse and being able to travel to other schools."

Boice, however, disagrees that there's a lot to do here. She is from Rockville, Maryland, which is more populated and urbanized than Salisbury. "This town is so secluded," she says. "I'm used to having big malls and things to go to and things that are nearby and... I'm not used to confining."

She says that while Rockville is a very diverse city, the people she has met at SU that are different are the "small town country people."

"I've met different kinds of people from different cultures and different beliefs than where I come from," says Boice. She tells a story of a girl in her class who is shocked to meet someone who is Jewish, because around here, they are a minority. "There are schools that are primarily Jewish where I'm from."

The transition to a small, rural town is a culture shock for Boice and Dunsmore's transfer to a larger and more sociable campus was a culture shock for him. To ease this transition process, many departments and services on campus do their part to help.

Director of New Student Experience and the Guerrieri University Center Lawanda Dockins-Gordy says that the transition process doesn't start on the first day of school, but during the admissions process.

"Admissions plays a key role," says Dockins-Gordy. "Campus visitations provide opportunities for prospective students and family to view what we offer to see if it's good for the students."

She says that while the freshman orientation programs, which is a graduation requirement, do help orient the students, it is a collective effort. From the registrar to dining services, faculty to current students, they all play a part.

This theory may hold true since the freshman orientation programs did not have much of an effect on Boice or Dunsmore. Since Dunsmore transferred to SU with 24 credits, he was exempt from the program. But Boice wasn't. The program she is currently enrolled in is incorporated with the English 101 course and lasts the entire semester as opposed to the other programs, which last about four weeks. She doesn't feel that the class helped much with meeting new people or easing her transition.

"Everyone else got the other pro-

"Freshman year of college is basically when you find out who you are, your work study habits, finding your core group of friends and how to adapt to college life," says Boice.

grams where they met people before they got here," she says, referring to the other orientation programs held over the summer, which took students whitewater rafting, canoeing, cycling, and other adventurous trips.

While the orientation programs didn't do much orienting, Boice and Dunsmore appear to be transitioning just as well and agree that the most important part of college is finding yourself.

## Knights of Columbus

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when they flail around and end up punching somebody in the eye." What Lane refers to as "flailing" is something that punk rock and heavy metal fans know as moshing. However, despite Lane's disapproval of the dancing style and distaste for the music, he decided to okay the idea to have shows at the Knights of Columbus hall when he was asked five years ago.

"Tommy Jones, a chef at break time, wanted to do something for the young people to go to listen to local talent. They weren't into the moshing quite yet at that stage," says Lane. "So I say 'It sounds great to me lets try it.'"

The shows since then picked up and became more popular, to the point where local bands were approaching Lane and asking if they could play in the Knights' hall. Mid-summer 2005 local shows were no longer booked at the hall. Lane says it's because of some "discussions" he caused by the moshing and an unnamed trouble maker who tried to cause a confrontation.

Now local bands typically stick to the venue CCISP, an internet café on Route 13. More recently, shows have been booked in the Wicomico Room at on the SU campus.

Letter's and another local band, Mercutio, both say they miss the shows at Knights of Columbus.

"It was a venue that you could pack 100 kids in and everyone have a great time," Davis says. "For some reason every band in the area could always fit in the 5 hour time slot so it always made for a good show."

Davis, an organizer for many local concerts, says though CCISP is smaller and shows are usually held outside, fans still come out to see their friends play.

"The most fun was the show

Mercutio threw there where we had the car lights facing the bands and it was dark. It was sort of like a bonfire show without the bonfire," he says.

And regardless of Salisbury's size as compared to bigger cities with larger music scenes, Davis says the fan base in the area continues to grow. The last show was held in the Wicomico Room of SU and brought in a major headlining band, The Receiving End of Sirens.

"It keeps growing with time and shows and as we get better and write more challenging music. The last show was amazing! It made me feel that the Salisbury scene hasn't died, and that there is hope for bigger and better shows in Salisbury," he says. "Hopefully, it put SU back on the map as far as bringing good bands to such a small area."

Still, Davis laments it's not the same as "good old Knight's." He says he hopes that shows can start back there again someday, if Lane sees fit. But despite his distaste for the music of local kids today, he says he hopes they find opportunities to display their talent.

"I don't think there are enough opportunities for local shows, there's not enough space for them to do what they want to do," Lane says. "I really don't think there's any place around."

From his perspective, the hope of restoring the scene at Knight's is all dependent on good behavior.

"Everybody has good intentions, but good intentions get put by the wayside," he says. "You have some people, even in my day, that would like to take good intentions and break them up, because they want the time light."

He relates his last statement to the culprit who caused the end of shows at Knights of Columbus.

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# Salisbury University "Builds Bridges" with the Muslim Community

By Erin Kraus  
Staff Writer

From November 14-18, Salisbury University will host the second annual "Building Bridges: Islam Awareness Week." The event, sponsored by the Muslim Students Association, includes a week-long series of lectures and debates designed to raise awareness about the practices of Islam. Student Islamic Counselor Schmina Chopra points out that although Islam is one of the most practiced religions in the world, it is also one of the most misunderstood. By creating an open discussion, she hopes to close the gap between the stereotype and the reality.

Chopra makes it clear that the decision to hold this event is in no way about preaching or converting. "By creating a dialogue we hope to increase education, understanding, and compassion in the community," she says. "Our main purpose is to illuminate the common misconceptions Americans have about Islam."

The MSA has managed to convince several esteemed members of the American Islamic community to participate in the week's events. On November 14, American Muslim nurse Najah Bazy will be holding two lectures. At 1p.m. in the Nanticoke room of the Guerrieri University Center she will be speaking about trans-cultural nursing. Later that evening at 6:30 in Caruthers Auditorium, she will be giving a lecture about women in Islam. She is well-informed on the subject and has been featured in a PBS documentary called "Muhammad: Legacy of a Prophet."

On November 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Wicomico Room, the MSA will be showing a National Geographic Documentary called "Inside Mecca." The documentary will be followed with a question and answer session.

Another speaker will be lecturing on November 16. Emmy Award-winning American Muslim, journalist Anisa Mehdi and director of

"Inside Mecca" will be speaking on "The Tangle of Language: Challenges in Reporting" in Fulton Hall room 111 at 1 p.m. She will also be speaking at 6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall on "Truth and Consequences: Islam and Media Sensationalism."

On November 17, Sohaib Sultan, author of "The Koran for Dummies" will be giving a lecture entitled "Toward Understanding the Qur'an." He will be speaking at 6:30 p.m. in the Wicomico Room.

The finale will occur on November 18 at noon. In the Spirituality Room in the Guerrieri University Center, there will be the Juma Prayer followed by a reception in the Fireside Lounge.

Also, everyday from November 14-18 there will be a Book Fair and Information Table outside of the Commons from noon to 2 p.m. which will include Middle Eastern Pastries.

Chopra explains that today's perceptions of Islam are false. "The term Islam is actually derived from

the word salaam which means peace," she says. "The Islamic faith has come to be associated with terrorism but in truth it is a faith that emphasizes peace with the Creator, peace with fellow man, and peace with the environment." She hopes that the lectures and discussions throughout the week will serve to reiterate this point.

The MSA would like to express gratitude towards everyone at Salisbury University who has been so open to the idea of having the Building Bridges week. They also would like students and faculty to know that there is an Islam discussion class held year-round from 5:30-6:30 in Fulton Hall room 111. As Chopra says the only dumb question is one that goes unasked, so in that spirit she would like to encourage anyone who has any questions or interest to attend the discussion groups and to participate in the Building Bridges week.



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## SU students rehearse for Anitigone performance



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Pheiffer looks to attract many SU students to come see their performance of Anitigone

By Josh Hughes  
Staff Writer

SU Students have been in rehearsal for Anitigone since the beginning of the semester and it clearly shows when one looks at the level of detail that's present in every aspect of the play.

When one attends a performance of Anitigone in Black Box Theatre, the first thing you're likely to notice is the feeling of authenticity that's prevalent in the costume and stage construction.

"We tried to focus on color and combinations of color that work well with the set," says Lisa Lantz, who is the Assistant Professor of Communication and Theatre at SU and is also in charge of costume design for the performance.

"We took our inspiration from paintings," Lantz continues.

Those that went to the performance of Mother Courage will notice the round rotating portion

of the stage has been removed and replaced with a gravel pit to mimic the round playing space of an authentic Greek play.

November 10th will mark the first performance of Anitigone at SU since 1987.

The Fulton School of Liberal Arts describes the Sophocles play as a timeless tale that explores the betrayal of personal integrity and duty to humanity and the struggle of human rights against political oppression.

When asked why he chose Anitigone, Dr. Paul T. Pfeiffer says his reasons are varied.

"I believe [our program] is designed to provide a strong base in the classics and I wanted a chance to try a Greek tragedy," says Pfeiffer.

"Also when you have the people [the assembled cast working on the play] that I do, I know we can do this right," he continued.



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Anitigone will be making its debut in Black Box theater on November 11.

By way of example Pfeiffer presents Katie Kedell, who is playing the title role of Anitigone.

Kedell is a Theatre major with a Performance track. She graduates this May.

Kedell was in the Spring semester's Merchant of Venice as well as last fall's Six Character in search of an Author and 2004's Sweeney Todd.

"I think this is an important thing for the SU audience to see, and a brilliant challenge for an actress," says Kedell.

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Tickets are \$10 for adults and free for SU students.

Show times are November 10th - November 12th and November 17th - November 19th at 8:00 p.m. and November 13th and 20th at 2:00 p.m.

## The SU Dance Company prepares for showcase

By Stephanie Sokerka  
Staff Writer

The SU Dance Company, directed by Victoria Hutchinson, is hosting its 16th annual Fall Showcase November 9th through November 12th, in the Holloway Hall Auditorium. Each performance begins at 8pm.

This year's production of the popular showcase features original choreography by Bob Fosse adapted and re-staged by guest artist Lynne Mariani, an Irish Slip Jig performed by students from Danceter Salisbury, and six premieres by Company members.

Executive member Laura Plitt believes the hard work will show through in this year's production.

"This year the show explores a lot of variety. It will include tap, jazz, and contemporary ballet," said Plitt.

"The dances include some of the best student choreography I have seen since I've been at Salisbury. And many of the dances have a deeper meaning and theme, creating more depth to the entire show," she continued.

Student choreographed numbers include, The Beat, in which drummer Alan Krill and tap dancers create an explosive jam session, created by junior Sara Greaver.

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## Big deal for one? No. Big deal for all? Yes.

By Kevin Froehlich  
Sports Editor

So Sheryl Swoopes, the reigning WNBA MVP and one of the sports all-time greats, announced she was a lesbian recently. Big freaking whoop. So she's the first notable and high-profile athlete to come out during their career. Once again, big freaking whoop.

You know what I have to say? Good for her.

What she did was courageous. It's time she stopped living a lie. It's time she stopped publicly ignoring her sexuality and just come clean. So she loves women? So do about a million other American females. What makes her so different?

The fact she plays a professional sport? Please. If I remember my physics correctly, there's a little thing called the law of averages, and it basically states that if there's a certain amount of something in column A, and a certain amount in column B, that somewhere between the two columns are going to overlap. In this case, some athletes were bound to be homosexual.

Now, some may say that a woman athlete coming out of the closet may be so surprising. Why's that? Because she's a woman athlete and just so happens to be gay, or that she's gay and just so happens to be a woman athlete?

Are we still that ignorant as a people, as a society, as a culture? Sure, being a woman athlete fits the stereotypical image of a tom-boy, but a tom-boy doesn't always necessarily fit the stereotypical image of a lesbian.

And while we're on the subject, here's another ball-buster: there are also gay male athletes. I could be wrong, but I'm probably not.

There's this huge, oh let's call it a belief, going around that we supposedly live in a more tolerant and accepting time. If that's so, then as the gay friend of Adam Sandler in Big Daddy said: "Prove it." Because there's bound to be some hub-bub about this, just as there was in the late 1970s and early 1980s when tennis great Martina Navratilova came out, and that was during a time when the so-called abnormal, excessive, eccentric lifestyle was in its prime.

And I'm not saying that being homosexual is some kind of exotic lifestyle, because it's not. That's just the way a good amount of the public perceives it to be.

It's funny. For a lot of people, one day you're straight and normal, the next you're gay and alien, some new foreign thing that we're going to need a little time to get used to.

Used to what? The only thing that changed was the fact they weren't hiding their sexuality any more. It's not like now that they're open, they're all of a sudden going to start eating or shopping or mingling at new places. It's not like once you out-yourself you get a membership card that opens up your life to new and exciting gay only places.

And, yes, I'll admit, it's a lot easier for a woman to come out than for a man. For some odd reason, to be a lesbian and to be gay are two different things. I just don't know what. And the worst thing that's going to happen to Swoopes is that she'll lose some endorsements from companies that have extremely naïve and primitive ideals.

What? The public is going to stop wearing Nikes or eating McDonalds or drinking Coke because a lesbian is pitching it? Reality check, people,

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## Last second kick sinks football

By Kevin Froehlich  
Sports Editor

One thousand yard rusher Leroy Satchell didn't play because of a severely sprained ankle. Widener's quarterback Mike Lomas completed just 39 percent of his passes (16-for-41) and was picked off five times by the SU defense, including two by Brooks Mosner. And yet still, in the end, it was Todd Fairlie's interception of SU quarterback Travis Peters in the waning minutes of the game that set up Frank Vinci's game-winning 29-yard field goal for the Pioneers as time expired, vaulting them to a 31-28 win Saturday at Sea Gull stadium.

SU (6-3), who lost its second straight contest, fell behind early 13-0 and trailed 20-7 at halftime. The Gulls battled back, however, in the third after Teddy Savage's 5-

yard run cut the lead to 20-14.

Then, down 28-21 late in the fourth quarter, SU's Matt Feiser picked off another Lomas pass, returning it to the house for a 67-yard touchdown, tying the game at 28-28 with just 2:52 remaining.

The Gulls forced a three-and-out to get the ball back at their own 26-yard line with just over a minute left, but when Fairlie intercepted Peters and returned it 23-yards to the SU 30, all Widener (7-2) had to do was milk the clock until the time was right for Vinci.

Peters led SU with 67 yards on 21 rushes, including a 2-yard TD run, but was just 5-for-15 for 52 yards passing and two interceptions. David Leonard also contributed a score, his a 1-yard TD dive.



## A championship title to go down in SU history

By Noah Wood  
Staff Writer

The SU cross country teams competed incredibly well at the Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) Championships at Lake Needwood Park in Rockville, MD, on Saturday, with both the men and women taking home the titles, the first time the feat has ever been performed in school history.

"We did what we had to do," said Scott Koehler, who led the Sea Gulls and was the CAC champion. "We worked with the hills, and a lot of us ran ourselves to exhaustion to get the positions we needed."

Koehler was also voted the CAC's Most Outstanding Runner of the Year award.

The women had an outstanding race, having five of their runners finish in the top 10. Glenna Sullivan, Casey McNerny, and Kelly Sullivan led the Sea Gulls, going one-two-and-three. Glenna Sullivan was the CAC Athlete-of-the-Year and Casey McNerny was the runner-up. In addition, Kelly Sullivan earned the CAC Rookie-of-the-Year award.

"Our team was really united and we were really ready for the meet, physically and mentally," said Kelly Sullivan. "We ran together and supported each other a lot."

Also, senior Lauren Bragg had a strong effort, despite coming off of an IT-Band injury. Bragg has competed all four years on the cross country team and was very proud to end her last CAC cross country championship race positively.

Another person who helped contribute to the CAC success story of the cross country team was graduate assistant coach, William Detweiler.

**Quick Stats**  
Men's Individual Results: 8-Kilometer Race  
Scott Koehler, Sr. 1st - 26:49.71 (All-Conference Honors)  
Buck Stokes, Jr. - 3rd - 27:27.07 (All-Conference Honors)  
Enos Benbow, Sr. 5th - 27:48.42 (All-Conference Honors)  
Eric Graves, So. 7th - 27:54.25 (All-Conference Honors)  
Brian Eagan, So. 8th - 27:54.58 (All-Conference Honors)  
Zack Dickerson, Fr. 9th - 27:55 (All-Conference Honors)  
Carl Bickle, So. 15th - 28:47.01 (All-Conference Honors/Top-15)

"We faced a lot of adversity this year and we men were tough enough that we pulled together like a family," said Detweiler. "And today all the hard work and emotional energy paid off perfectly."

Finally, head coach Jim Jones was extremely delighted at the school's history-making victory. All of their hard work paid off to give the Sea Gulls the success they had on Saturday.

"With all that we've gone through this year, it shows just how much faith these athletes had in themselves and their abilities," said Jones, now in his seventh year of coaching at SU. "I'm quite proud of all that they've accomplished through the adversity that we had this year, and to have this historical win for the university. It's very special to me and I'm sure it's special to them as well."

Jones also won the CAC Coach of the Year award for the men and the women.

"The more important thing than the award is the team victory, because I'm only as good of a coach as my athletes make me and we've got a lot of good people on our team this year to achieve this historical win," Jones said of his award. "We've won several championships over the years; we've never won the men's and women's conference championship in the same year. I just appreciate the coverage the Flyer has been giving us, to let our students know what a great cross country team they have here at Salisbury."

Jones' leadership and work ethic has helped the team grow into the conference champions that they are today. They will compete at the NCAA Midwest Regional Championships at Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA to conclude their season.

## Volleyball earns way to semi-finals

By Shawn Nisson  
Staff Writer

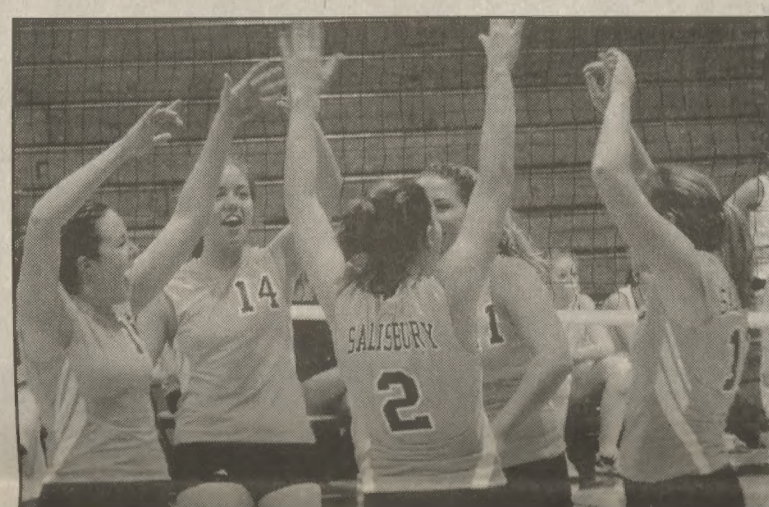
The Salisbury University women's volleyball team defeated the Spartans of York in straight sets (30-18, 30-26, 30-25) on Tuesday night to advance to the CAC semifinals. Senior Brittany Mister led the way for the Gulls with 12 kills and 12 digs, and junior Abbey Perrecca added a team high 33 assists, four kills and 10 digs.

The victory gave the Gulls (26-9) their third straight win and fifth of their last six matches. The No. 3-seeded Gulls will advance to the conference semifinals for the fourth straight year when they travel to take on No. 2-seeded Marymount University (20-9). Marymount barely outlasted the Gulls 3-2 in an epic match-up that went back and forth on October 20th here in Salisbury.

The Spartans (13-20) dominated the last time they faced off with the Gulls winning 3-0 during the CAC regular season. The Gulls were able to reverse their fortune and the outcome with a huge effort from every-one on the court. The Gulls dominated recording 43 kills, compared to York's 32, along with a healthy advantage in assists 39-26, service aces 9-3, and a 9-8 advantage in blocks.

Senior Brandy Overlander led York with 11 digs, followed by freshman Grace Acker who contributed eight kills and six digs, and sophomore Katie Hertz who recorded 24 assists, 16 digs, and four kills.

After sailing through the first game winning 30-18, the second game was back and forth the entire match. The Gulls led early with a 9-6 advantage, but the Spartans fought back and went on a 13-5 run to gain the 19-14 advantage. The Gulls showed their determination drawing



Laura Emmons/The Flyer

The Gulls celebrate a score on the York College Spartans during their first round match of the CAC tournament. The Gulls won Tuesday's game 30-25.

back even at 25-25, then taking the next three points propelling them to the victory.

The third match was tied seven times before the two squads drew even again at 13-13. The Gulls gained an 18-14 advantage that then increased to 24-19, however, it would vanish quickly as the Spartans struck back drawing to within one at 24-23. The Sea Gulls were able to finish the match off with a 6-2 run, to advance to the semifinals.

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## Field Hockey scores 11th straight CAC title



Contessa Crisostomo/The Flyer

Abby Rowe hits the ball past a Catholic defender during the Lady Gull's game on Saturday.

By Aaron Boker  
Staff Writer

The No. 1 Salisbury field hockey team clinched their 11th straight Capital Athletic Conference championship by knocking off No. 18 Catholic 3-1 on Saturday. The win for the Sea Gulls is not only a giant step towards defending their national championship but just an exciting moment.

"Winning never gets old; we want to win every opportunity we get," said Coach Dawn Chamberlin. "For our program to do it 11 years in a row you can't ask for much more."

Salisbury (17-1) drew first blood against a stellar Catholic squad when junior back Sarah Tracey scored off a pass from senior forward Brittany Elliott for the early 1-0 lead with 24:58 left before half.

Despite the Sea Gulls' lead, Catholic attacked and attacked for that equalizer. The Cardinals got a good opportunity off a corner kick with 15:30 left but the defense killed that chance and kept the score 1-0 going into halftime.

"I thought our defense played really well the first 20 minutes and then we gave them some opportunities the last 15 minutes," said Chamberlin.

When the second half rolled around, Salisbury was threatening to get an insurance goal by putting pressure on Catholic. After the Sea Gulls threatened for 12 minutes, the Cardinals fired back with their own attack down the field. With 19:42 left to play, Catholic senior Jamie Punyko evened the score at 1-1.

Salisbury didn't waste anytime moping on losing their lead as they raced down the field with attacks from every end of the field, forcing Catholic to quickly regroup after the goal.

"We stuck to our game plan, we knocked out our intensity and we knew we had to pick up a goal," said Chamberlin.

Salisbury scored the Gulls (6-10-1) lone goal, with Erica Fort on the assist. Goalie Kate Hendrickson recorded eight saves

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# Gulls still hopeful after heartbreaker

By Matt Petersen  
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The Salisbury University men's soccer team, going for its fourth straight CAC crown, was knocked off by York College 1-0 on Saturday in the CAC tournament championship match. The loss does not only deprive the Gulls of the CAC crown, but also makes a NCAA tournament bid more elusive.

The Gulls advanced to the CAC title game with a 3-2 win over the University of Mary Washington on Tuesday. Three Gulls scored in the match as Salisbury out shot the Eagles 16-10. Dan Butler, Bill Whittington, and Layne Crothers netted the goals. Goalie Jason Crawford recorded four saves while allowing two goals in the win. The squad made its 12th straight CAC title game, and was in good shape to capture the conference crown.

Saturday's game against 16th

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ranked York turned out to be a defensive battle in which the Gulls fell short. Despite out shooting the Spartans 13-11, Salisbury could not manage a goal. The team was putting itself in good positions to score, but could not properly finish.

"I thought we played the game the way we expected to," said SU head coach Gerry DiBartolo. "I think the difference was that we weren't able to connect at the end."

The lone goal of the match was



Chris Baum/The Flyer

Layne Crothers advances the ball during SU's win against Mary Washington on Tuesday.

scored by York's Chris Ports off of a deflected pass from teammate Matt Beale. The goal in the 22nd minute proved to be enough as York held on to capture the title and automatic NCAA regional berth.

"York did a nice job of trying to hold the lead," said DiBartolo. "We had to try to figure out a way to get one behind them and we weren't able to do that."

The loss stops Salisbury's streak of three straight CAC championships,

and makes the road to the NCAA regional tournament a tougher one. For the seniors on the team it is an especially bitter pill to swallow.

"I feel bad for the seniors. They had a chance to win four conference championships, and I thought they played well enough to win that fourth," said DiBartolo.

Despite the loss, the Gulls still have hope of gaining an at-large bid into the NCAA tournament. Their 16-2-1 record and No. 5 national

ranking should help them immensely in gaining a bid. Also, since York is ranked 16th in the country, a loss should not drop Salisbury too far down the rankings.

Yet, with so few at-large bids available it will be a nerve wracking wait for the Gulls until the regional field is announced.

"I think our record is good enough for us to qualify for an at-large bid, but that isn't the only factor that comes into play," DiBartolo said.

"We'll have to wait and see what happens in other conferences."

The Gulls wrap up a combined schedule with an impressive 16-2-1 record and a 6-1 in conference record. They dominated their opponents in almost every statistical category, most notably out scoring their opponents 2.74 to .054 on average. Despite a heartbreaking loss to York, the Gulls chances look good heading into the NCAA tournament.



Chris Baum/The Flyer

Salisbury's Dan Thraillkill prepares to throw in the ball during the Gulls game against Mary Washington on Tuesday.

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homosexuals drink Coke too. And lots of it.

It would be nice for a gay male athlete to suck it up and have the — ironically — balls to come out, but most critics, pundits and athletes feel that sports is too macho a thing for that to happen during someone's playing career.

Too macho? Really? Last time I checked Chad Johnson was prancing around the end zone like a fairy after a touchdown a few weeks ago.

Nay-sayers may claim that once an athlete announces they're gay that most of their teammates will start eying them suspiciously in the locker room, wondering if it's okay

to get naked or shower with them.

Well, let's see, if they weren't doing it before you knew, what makes you think they would start because you now know? Oh, that's right, stupidity.

I still believe that as a society we have many more steps to take before we'll have fully separated ourselves from our discriminative past. But I do believe we live in a more tolerant time, and I think we underestimate just how many people, and athletes especially, feel the same way. Not all athletes are dumb jocks; most are smart people who just so happen to be insanely talented at their specific sport. And

I also believe if athletes are put on the spot, like whether or not to ostracize someone solely because of their sexual orientation, more so than not they'll do the right thing. For most, it'll be a non-issue; it just won't matter.

Pat Forde of ESPN.com is friends with a gay athletic administrator at a D-I school who talked with him about Swoopes and he said, "I'm still a coward for being quoted anonymously. In the end, this manifests itself in fear. Fear is what you live with."

And that's so sad.

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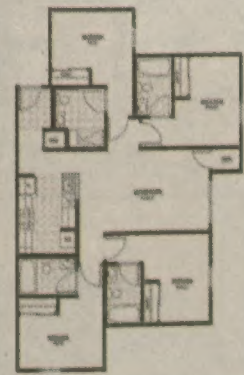
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